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C O N F I D E N T I A L VIENTIANE 1902

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR LA KN  
SUBJECT: NORTH KOREAN VISIT TO LAOS

REF: VIENTIANE 1876

1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. NORTH KOREAN DELEGATION HEADED BY VICE PREMIER AND MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS HEU DAM (PHOMDTIC) ARRIVED IN LAOS AUGUST 5 AND LEFT NEXT DAY FOR HANOI. TWO SIDES ISSUED ANNOUNCEMENT THAT THEY HAD DISCUSSED SITUATION IN TWO COUNTRIES AND THE WORLD AND HAD TALKED ABOUT FORTHCOMING NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE IN COLOMBO. KOREANS INVITED LAO VICE PREMIER AND FOREIGN MINISTER PHTUNE SIPRASEUTH TO VISIT DPRK, WHICH HE ACCEPTED BUT NO DATE WAS SET.

2. "VIENTIANE MAI" VERNACULAR PAPER REPORTED THAT KOREANS WERE GOING FROM VIENTIANE TO CAMBODIA, AS WELL  
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AS SRV, BUT WE HAVE NO CONFIRMATION OF THIS. END

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3. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL. LAO FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL  
AND SHELL OIL MANAGER SAID KOREANS FLEW DIRECT FROM  
PYONGYANG TO VIENTIANE AND HAD TO CHANGE PLANES HERE TO  
GO TO HANOI, WHICH UNABLE ACCOMMODATE AIRCRAFT THEY  
BROUGHT HERE. MINISTRY OFFICIAL SAID KOREANS CAME BACK  
THROUGH VIENTIANE TO GO ONWARD TO NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE.

4. COMMENT: AFTER DISCUSSIONS IN PAST FEW WEEKS WITH  
SRV DELEGATION PUSHING "POLICY OF SMILES" AND WITH THAI  
DELEGATION WHICH ENGAGED IN TOUGH NEGOTIATIONS ABOUT  
REOPENING BORDER POINTS, LAO MAY WELL HAVE BEEN HAPPY  
TO TALK WITH KOREANS WHO SHARE THEIR HARD-LINE ANTI-  
AMERICAN VIEWS. END CONFIDENTIAL.  
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